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LOS ANGELES(CNS)--SINCE THE ASSASSINATION OF SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY, A NUMBER OF SO- CALLED "CONSPIRACY" THEORIES HAVE BEEN ADVIANCED BY FREE-LANCE WRITERS AND SIMILAR SOURCES.

THESE GENERALLY HAVE TAKEN ONE OF TWO APPROACHES, EITHER THAT SIRHAN WAS INNOCENT AND SOMEONE ELSE FIRED THE FATAL SHOTS THE NIGHT OF JUNE 4, 1968 AT THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL.

OR, TWO, THAT SIRHAN WAS MERELY THE TRIGGERMAN IN A COMPLICATED PLOT WITH OTHERS WERE INVOLVED WHO STILL MAY BE FREE.

SUCH SPECULATION HAS BEEN DIED OVER AND OVER AGAIN BY AUTHORITIES WHO INVESTIGATED THE CASE, SAYING THE EVIDENCE ALL POINTS TO SIRHAN HAVING ACTED ALONE.

TODAY'S STATE SUPREME COURT RULING TOOK NO NOTE OF ANY CONSPIRACY THEORY. NONE WAS AN ISSUE. SIRHAN'S ATTORNEYS THEMSELVES RAISED NO ARGUMENT OF INNOCENCE, OR OF OTHERS POSSIBLY INVOLVED, IN THEIR APPEAL BEFORE THE STATE SUPREME COURT.

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